

# ORDER OF SERVICE

## Welcome

Dr. Ron Thomas, President, University of Puget Sound

## Presentation of the Colors

Tacoma Police Department

## Opening Words and Prayer

Rev. David Alger, Officiant

## Song, "Beautiful City"

Henry Nettleton, grandson

## Prayer of St. Frances of Assisi

Jessica and Emily Gardner, granddaughters

## Scripture reading, Micah 6: 6-8, & Luke 10: 25, 30-37

Rev. David Alger

## Remembrance

Jack Nettleton, grandson

## Tribute

Former Governor Chris Gregoire

## Video Celebration of Life

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Bill Clapp, brother

## Remembrance

Congressman Denny Heck

## Flag presentation

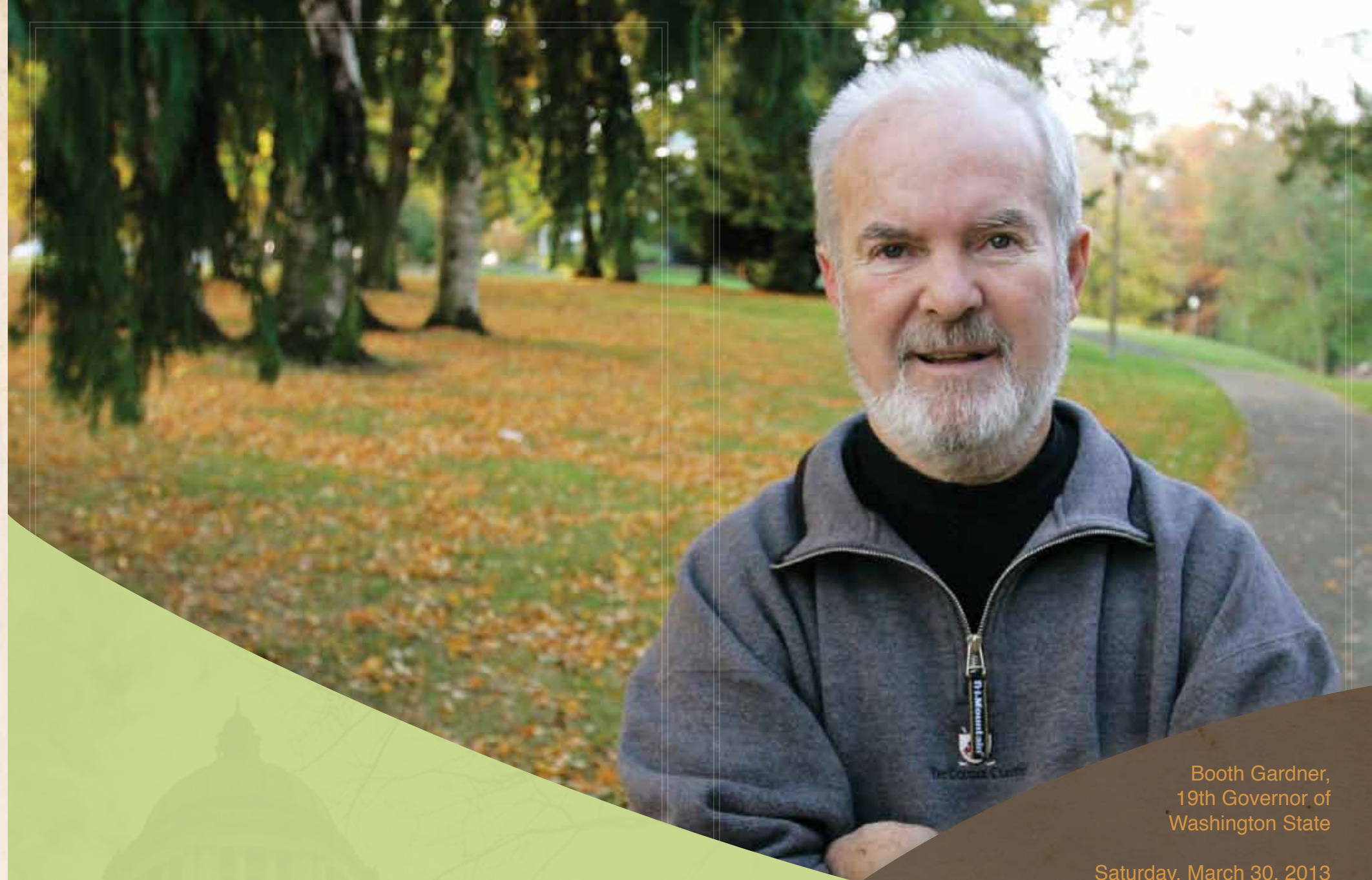
Governor Jay Inslee  
and the Washington State Patrol

## Closing: Reflections, Prayer, Blessing

Rev. David Alger

**Song: Edelweiss** (Please sing along with one of Booth Gardner's favorite songs.)

Henry Nettleton, grandson



Booth Gardner,  
19th Governor of  
Washington State

Saturday, March 30, 2013  
University of Puget Sound  
Tacoma, Washington

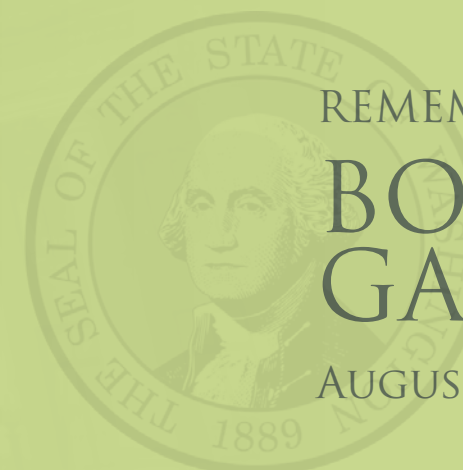
## MEMORIAL CONTRIBUTIONS

The family requests that any memorial contributions in Booth Gardner's honor be made to the Northwest Parkinson's Foundation.

[www.nwpf.org](http://www.nwpf.org)

## SPECIAL ACKNOWLEDGMENTS

Booth was cared for in his final years by several caregivers, with special thanks to Elizabeth Ratu and Margi Pratt. The family would especially like to acknowledge Tomasi Boselawa whose care of our dad surpassed what we could have ever hoped for. We will be forever grateful.



REMEMBERING

BOOTH  
GARDNER

AUGUST 21, 1936 - MARCH 15, 2013



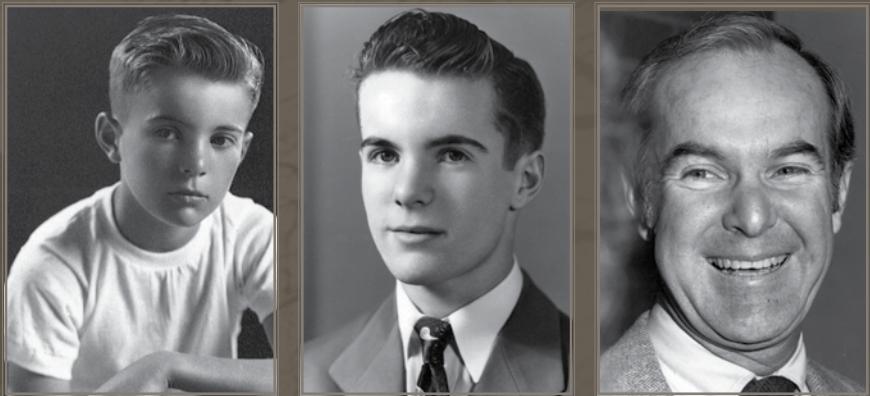
# BOOTH GARDNER

William Booth Gardner was born Aug. 21, 1936 to Evelyn Booth Gardner and Bryson “Brick” Gardner, both members of Washington’s original pioneering families. Tragedy marked his early life: his parents divorced when he was four and Booth’s mother and sister died in a plane crash when he was 14. But from an early age, Booth’s gregarious personality, twinkling smile and deep interest in people was clear.

As a student at the University of Washington, Booth became involved in coaching and mentoring the youth of Seattle’s Central District, an experience that set him on a lifetime course of public service. His mother’s death had left him wealthy, but Booth was frugal in his own life, choosing to help others by establishing the Central Area Youth Association and the Seattle Treatment Center.

After earning an MBA at Harvard University, Booth served as director of the University of Puget Sound School of Business Administration and Economics, and managed the Laird Norton Co. But his call to public service led him into politics.

In 1970, he won a state Senate seat representing part of Pierce County. In 1981 he was elected Pierce County executive. And in the 1984 governor’s race, despite such poor statewide name recognition that people asked “Booth Who,”



he defeated both the better-known Democrat Jim McDermott and incumbent Republican John Spellman.

In his two terms as governor from 1985-1993, Booth championed education, the environment, health care and social services. He stood up for the rights of gay state workers and championed the advancement of women, including a young attorney named Christine Gregoire.

The legacies of his leadership endure in programs and policies that helped make Washington a better, more

humane place: The Growth Management Act, which has helped protect the state’s environment and natural beauty during decades of rapid growth; the Basic Health Plan, which provides critical health care to the working poor; and a host of education policies that helped fuel Washington’s vibrant economy and the success of its people.

After he chose not to seek a third term, Booth was appointed by President Clinton as ambassador to the General Agreement on Tariff and Trade, which later became the World Trade Organization. After his retirement, Booth was diagnosed with Parkinson’s disease in 1994.

That setback led him to advocate for improved treatment and the search for a cure for Parkinson’s. It also led to what he called his final campaign: the passage by citizens’ initiative of the Washington Death with Dignity Act in 2008. The law makes Washington one of only two states where terminally

ill patients may choose to humanely end their lives with the help of a physician.

Booth, who was married twice, is survived by his daughter, Gail Gant; his son Douglas Gardner; two half-brothers, Bill Clapp and Steve Clapp; and eight grandchildren: Jack, Henry, Peter and Gus; and Emily, Elliot, Bryson, and Jessica. In the past seven years Booth lived in North Tacoma and particularly enjoyed spending time with his children and grandchildren, and attending their athletic events, graduations and other milestones.

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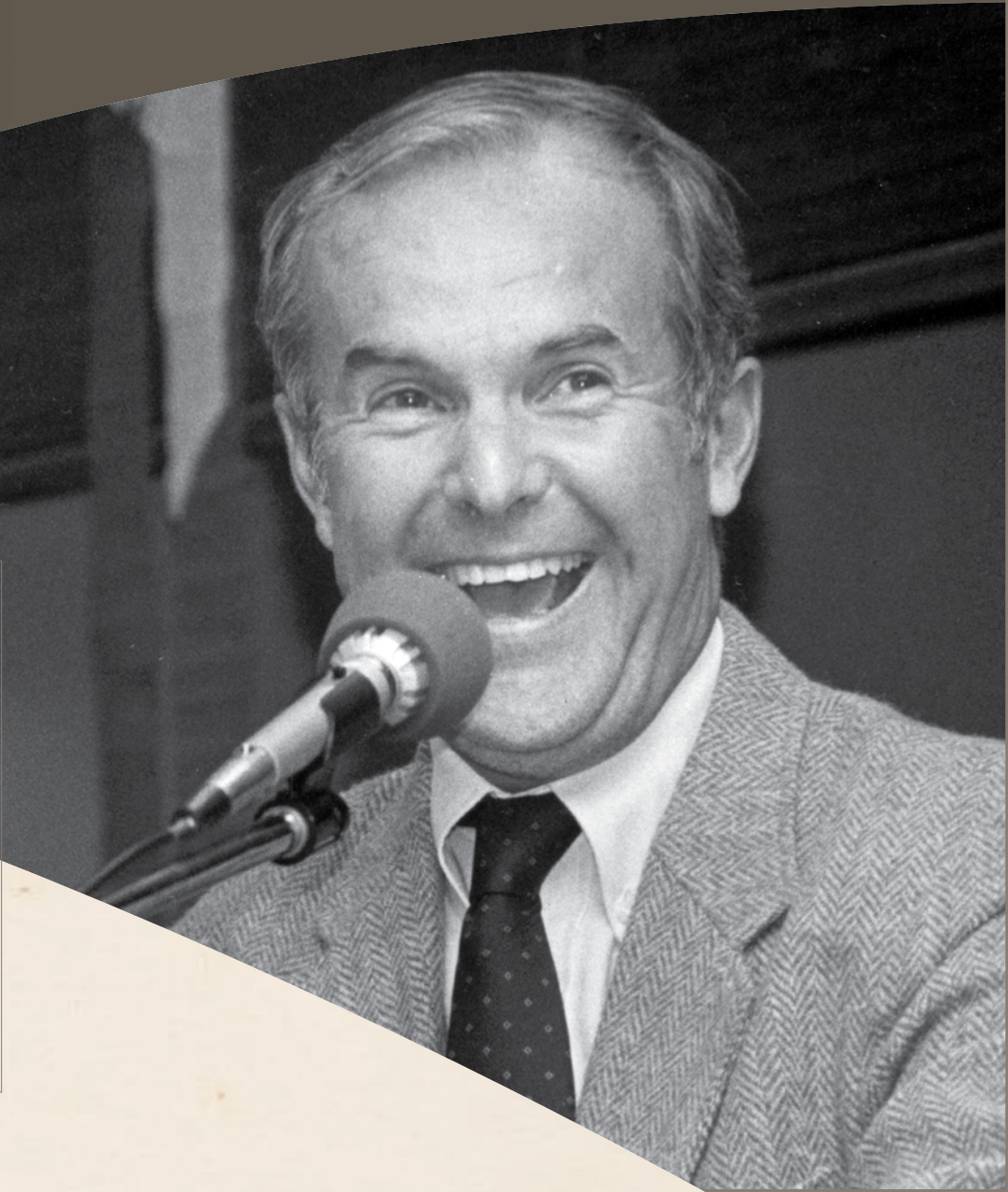
“I believe we must start thinking of ourselves as world citizens, competing internationally, with the best years of our lives ahead of us. And the best 100 years of our state just beginning.

The State of Washington has a combination of advantages unlike any other place on earth— our resources, our industries, our people and our position at the gateway to the Pacific Rim. And, most precious of all, we have our children, who hold the future in their eyes, and their minds, and their hearts.”

– BOOTH GARDNER



BOOTH WITH HIS EIGHT GRANDCHILDREN.





# SCRIPTURE & READINGS

**Recited by Rev. David Alger**

**Micach 6:6-8 (New Revised  
Standard Version)**

“With what shall I come before the Lord, and bow myself before God on high? Shall I come before him with burnt offerings, with calves a year old? <sup>7</sup>Will the Lord be pleased with thousands of rams, with ten thousands of rivers of oil? Shall I give my firstborn for my transgression, the fruit of my body for the sin of my soul?” <sup>8</sup>He has told you, O mortal, what is good; and what does the Lord require of you but to do justice, and to love kindness, and to walk humbly with your God?

**Luke 10:25, 30-37**

<sup>25</sup>Just then a lawyer stood up to test Jesus. “Teacher,” he said, “what must I do to inherit eternal life?” ...<sup>30</sup>Jesus replied, “A man was going down from Jerusalem to Jericho, and fell into the hands of robbers, who stripped him, beat him, and went away, leaving him half dead. <sup>31</sup>Now by chance a priest was going down that road; and when he saw him, he passed by on the other side. <sup>32</sup>So likewise a Levite, when he came to the place and saw him, passed by on the other side. <sup>33</sup>But a Samaritan while traveling came near him; and when he saw him, he was moved with pity. <sup>34</sup>He went to him and bandaged his wounds, having poured oil and wine on them. Then he put him on his own animal, brought him

to an inn, and took care of him. <sup>35</sup>The next day he took out two denarii, gave them to the innkeeper, and said, ‘Take care of him; and when I come back, I will repay you whatever more you spend.’” <sup>36</sup>Which of these three, do you think, was a neighbor to the man who fell into the hands of the robbers?” <sup>37</sup>He said, “The one who showed him mercy.” Jesus said to him, “Go and do likewise.”

**Reading by Jessica  
and Emily Gardner**

**Prayer of Saint Francis  
of Assisi**

Lord, make me an instrument  
of your peace.

Where there is hatred, let me  
sow love;

where there is injury, pardon;  
where there is doubt, faith;  
where there is despair, hope;  
where there is darkness,  
light; and where there is  
sadness, joy.

O Divine Master, grant that I  
may not so much seek  
to be consoled as to console;  
to be understood as to  
understand;  
to be loved as to love.  
For it is in giving that we  
receive;  
it is in pardoning that we are  
pardoned;  
and it is in dying that we are  
born to eternal life. Amen

# SONG LYRICS

## Lyrics to “Beautiful City” from Godspell

Out of the ruins and rubble  
Out of the smoke  
Out of our night of struggle  
Can we see a ray of hope?  
One pale thin ray reaching  
for the day

We can build a beautiful city  
Yes, we can; yes, we can  
We can build a beautiful city  
Not a city of angels but we  
can build a city of man

We may not reach the ending  
But we can start  
Slowly but truly mending  
Brick by brick, heart by heart  
Now, maybe now  
We'll start learning how

We can build a beautiful city  
Yes, we can; yes, we can  
We can build a beautiful city  
Not a city of angels  
But we can build a city of man

When your trust is all but  
shattered  
When your faith is all but killed  
You can give up, bitter and  
battered  
Or you can slowly start to build

A beautiful city  
Yes, we can; yes, we can  
We can build a beautiful city  
Not a city of angels  
But finally a city of man.

## Edelweiss lyrics

Edelweiss, edelweiss  
Ev'ry morning you greet me  
Small and white  
Clean and bright  
You look happy to meet me

Blossom of snow  
May you bloom and grow  
Bloom and grow forever  
Edelweiss, edelweiss  
Bless my homeland forever

Small and white  
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Edelweiss, edelweiss  
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